

Handling DynamoDB Objects



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Understanding Basic Item Operations

**AWS Command
Line Tool**

Configured AWS profile

**Installed Python
Packages**

BOTO3

**Appropriate
privileges**

All DynamoDB
privileges



Understanding Basic Item Operations



Put Item - Creating Items



Get Item - Reading Items



Update Item - Updating Items



Delete Item - Deleting Items



Understanding Basic Item Operations

Batch Get Item

Read 100 items in one or more tables

Batch Write Item

Create or delete 25 items in tables



Understanding Basic Item Operations

```
{  
  "Name" : "Bob",  
  "Age" : 26,  
  "Company" : "Globomantics",  
  "Position" : "DevOps"  
}
```



Understanding Basic Item Operations

```
{  
  "Name": { "S": "Bob" },  
  "Age": { "N": "26" },  
  "Company": { "S": "Globomantics" },  
  "Position": { "S": "DevOps" }  
}
```



Understanding Basic Item Operations

```
"list": {  
  "L": [  
    {  
      "S": "heart"  
    },  
    {  
      "S": "lungs"  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

```
"map": {  
  "M": {  
    "age": {  
      "N": "55"  
    },  
    "name": {  
      "S": "Peter"  
    }  
  }  
}
```



Understanding Basic Item Operations

Put Item

ALL_OLD

Update Item

ALL_OLD

ALL_NEW

UPDATED_OLD

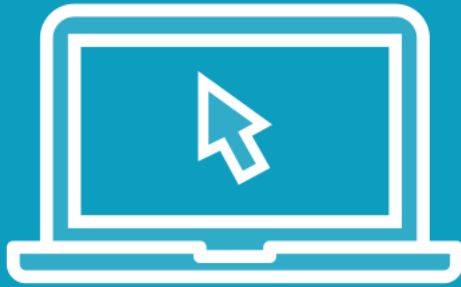
UPDATED_NEW

Delete Item

ALL_OLD



Demo



Utilize basic item operations against our *elaborate_employee_table* using:

- Console
- AWS CLI
- Python

Use return value function



Scanning Table Items

Scan

Reads and returns all
table items

Filter Expressions

Filter results based on
attributes or count

Consistency

Both strong and
eventual consistency



Scanning Table Items



Scan consumes huge amount of read capacity



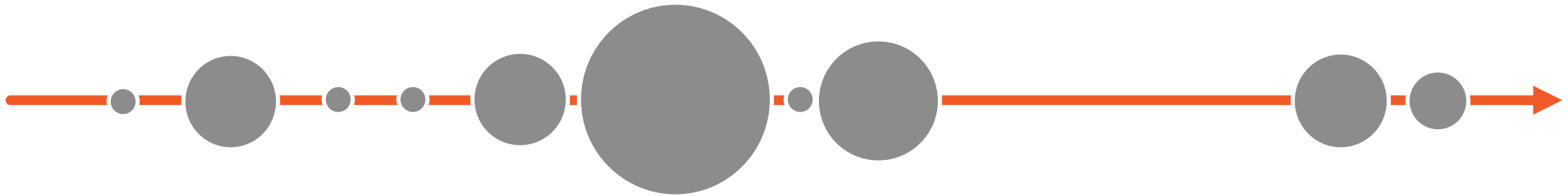
Pagination creates pauses between requests



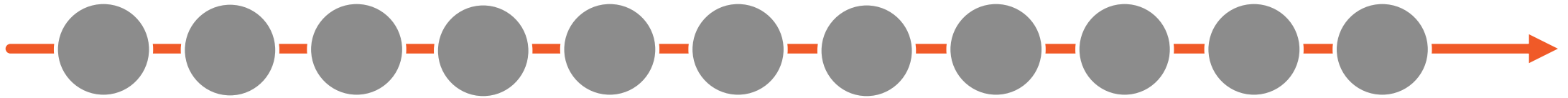
Create copy of tables for scanning



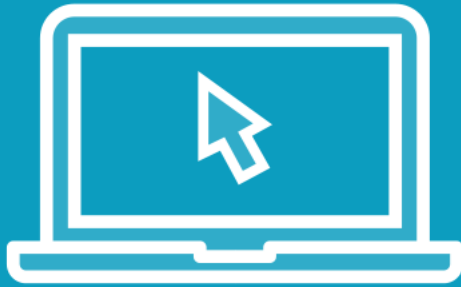
Scanning Table Items



Scanning Table Items



Demo



Scan *elaborate_employee_table* using:

- Console
- AWS CLI
- Python

Use pagination function

Observe amount of consumed capacity



Querying Table Items

Query

Query items from base table and secondary index

Primary Key

Partition and sort keys can be used

Consistency

Both strong and eventual consistency



Key Condition Expressions

`a = b`

`a < b`

`a <= b`

`a > b`

`a >= b`

`a BETWEEN b AND c`

`begins_with(attr, str)`

◀ Equal

◀ Less than

◀ Less than or equal

◀ More than

◀ More than or equal

◀ Between

◀ Begins with



Querying Table Items

Expression Attribute Name

Avoid restricted
attribute names

Expression Attribute Value

Avoid cluttered
commands

Projection Expression

Avoid cluttered output
from commands



Demo



Query *elaborate_employee_table* using:

- Console
- AWS CLI
- Python

Use:

- Key Condition Expression
- Expression Attribute Values
- Expression Attribute Names
- Projection Expression
- Filter Expression



Updating Table Items

```
{  
  "id": 100,  
  "prices": {  
    "bed": 340,  
    "pillow": 45,  
    "blanket": 76,  
    "mattress": 550  
  }  
}
```



Updating Table Items

`get-item`

`id = 100`

`projection-expression`

`"prices.bed"`



Updating Table Items

```
{  
  "id": 100,  
  "prices": [  
    {  
      "bedroom": {  
        "bed": 340  
      }  
    }  
  ]  
}
```



Updating Table Items

`get-item`

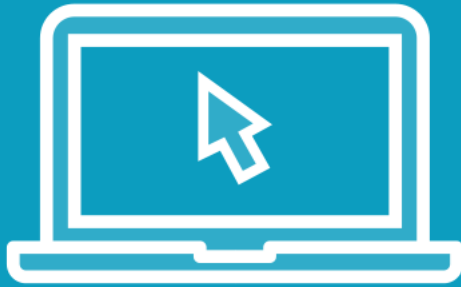
`id = 100`

`projection-expression`

`"prices[0].bedroom.bed"`



Demo



Update items in *elaborate_employee_table* using:

- AWS CLI
- Python

Use:

- Update expressions
- Nested attributes



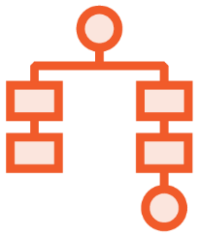
Modifying Items Conditionally



Write operations are all unconditional



Prevent accidental modification



Assures write idempotent operations



Modifying Items Conditionally

Emma



```
update  
price to +4  
if price = 20
```

```
id = 1  
price = 20
```

price = 20 ✓

Rebecca



```
update  
price to +5  
if price = 20
```

price != 20 ✗



Modifying Items Conditionally



attribute_exists



attribute_not_exists



size



begins_with



attribute_type



contains



Demo



Use conditional writes on *elaborate_employee_table* using:

- AWS CLI
- Python

Explore and utilize conditional functions



Atomic Counters



Increments attribute value



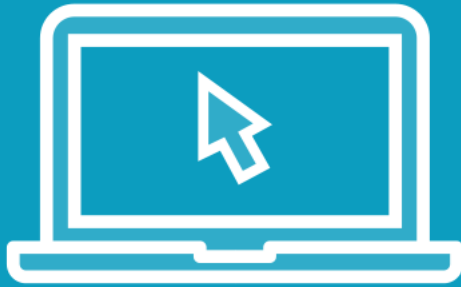
Not idempotent



Used where accuracy does not matter



Demo



Update an item using atomic counters on *elaborate_employee_table* using:

- AWS CLI
- Python



Summary



Simple DynamoDB Operations

- Batch Operations
- AWS CLI
- Python

Table and Index Scanning

- Pagination Feature

DynamoDB Query Operations

- Expression Values
- Expression Names
- Projection Expression



Summary



Conditional and Unconditional Table Update Operations

- AWS CLI
- Python

Condition Expressions for Idempotency

Atomic Counters

